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## **E. Anne Sandel**



### **Program Executive Officer Littoral and Mine Warfare Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research Development and Acquisition)**

Ms. Sandel is the Program Executive Officer (PEO), Littoral and Mine Warfare and is a member of the Senior Executive Service (SES). As the PEO, she reports directly to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition (ASN RDA) and has the responsibility to oversee the design, development, production, testing, and delivery of warfighting capability for the littoral battlespace as well as provide lifecycle support to those systems delivered. Ms. Sandel leads eight program offices that comprise over 220 programs ranging from ACAT I through IV, including several developmental programs that address urgent warfighting needs.

Ms. Sandel's previous position was the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Integrated Warfare Systems, (DASN IWS). In that assignment, Ms. Sandel had advisory and oversight responsibility for the cost, schedule, and performance of surface ship, submarine, and Marine Corps combat systems, weapon systems, electronic warfare systems, shipboard radars, and Navy missile defense programs. Ms. Sandel was the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy responsible for the implementation of Open Architecture within the Department of the Navy.

Prior to her tour as DASN IWS, she was the founding Executive Director for the Program Executive Officer for Integrated Warfare Systems (PEO IWS) where she was assigned responsibility for realigning all Navy Surface Ship and Submarine Combat Systems, Missiles Radars, Launchers, Electronic Warfare (EW) systems, Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) systems, and Gun systems into one Program Executive Office from five existing Program Executive Offices.

Upon graduation from Old Dominion University, Ms. Sandel began her professional career as part of the Engineering Team at Newport News Shipbuilding working both Aircraft Carrier and Submarine design and production. In 1988, she joined the Engineering Directorate of the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA). Ms. Sandel held a series of progressively more responsible positions in the areas of Surface Combatant, Aircraft Carrier, Submarine, United States Coast Guard (USCG) Polar Icebreakers, and Mobile Offshore Bases Design and/or Construction Management. In 1993, Ms. Sandel was selected to lead a newly created Naval Architectural

Branch at the Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC), Carderock Division. As a result of her leadership, Ms. Sandel was tasked with creating a NSWC Carderock Surface Ships Program Office and, in 1997, became the first woman Department Head at NSWC Carderock. Ms. Sandel returned to NAVSEA in April 1998 to assume responsibility for the PMS 378 CVNX Future Carrier Design. Shortly thereafter she was selected to the Senior Executive Service as the Deputy Program Manager, PMS 378, where she was responsible for the CVN 77 Nimitz Class Aircraft Carrier Acquisition Program, the CVNX (1 and 2) Future Carrier Acquisition Programs, as well as all Carrier Technology Development Insertion.

Ms. Sandel's leadership and performance have been recognized through the following Awards: Silver Medal Award from the Association of Scientists and Engineers (ASE) for outstanding contributions to the Navy's Ship Design Community; NSWC Carderock Division Supervisor of the Year; Department of the Navy's, Meritorious Civilian Service Award for her leadership and vision in establishing NSWC Carderock Division's Surface Ships Program Office from 1994 through 1998; Navy Superior Civilian Service Award; for accomplishments while serving as the Future Carriers Deputy Program Manager from 1998 through 2002; and a second Navy Superior Civilian Service Award for the establishment of the Program Executive Office for Integrated Warfare Systems from 2002 through 2004 and a Navy Distinguished Civilian Service Award for her outstanding performance as Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Integrated Warfare System from 2004 to 2008.